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MONTANA

Population 591 024 1950 Census Area 146 611 sq. miles

Capital Helena

COUNTIES
1950 Census

Beaverhead	6461	G 1	Hill	16295	B 4	Prairie	2321
Big Horn	9639	F 8	Jefferson	6016	J 2	Ravalli	10351
Blaine	8114	B 7	Judith Basin	3200	D 6	Richland	11344
Broadwater	2922	H 5	Lake	12423	C 2	Roosevelt	10878
Carbon	12291	G 7	Lewis and Clark			Rosebud	6978
Carter	2708	D 9	Liberty	2240	C 5	Sanders	6619
Cascade	80357	E 5	Lincoln	8882	B 1	Sheridan	14678
Chouteau	8814	C 5	McCone	3748	C 11	Silver Bow	9961
Custer	12961	E 11	Madison	5958	G 4	Stillwater	5416
Dawson	9082	D 12	Meagher	2575	E 6	Sweet Grass	3621
Deer Lodge	16553	F 3	Mineral	2081	C 1	Teton	7232
Fallon	3660	D 10	Missoula	29533	D 3	Toole	6861
Fergus	10181	D 7	Musselshell	5608	D 8	Treasure	1462
Flathead	23495	B 3	Park	13995	G 6	Valley	11283
Gallatin	17082	F 5	Petroleum	1026	D 8	Wheatland	3491
Garfield	3224	D 9	Phillips	6334	B 8	Wibaux	1901
Glacier	9857	B 6	Pondera	9357	B 5	Yellowstone	36671
Golden Valley	1337	E 7	Powder River	7593	G 11	Yellowstone Nat'l Pk (Part)	58
Granite	2777	E 2	Powell	5260	D 3		

CITIES AND TOWNS
1950 Census — Numerals Locate

A						**P-Q**	
Absarokee	300	G 5	Conrad	3929	B 5	Hamilton	4090
Acton	51	D 7	Corvallis	1150	D 3	Hardin	3080
Alberton	5	D 3	Culbertson	1160	G 1	Harlem	1266
Amsterdam	50	F 5	Cut Bank	5602	B 5	Harlowton	1062
Anaconda	12494	F 3	Dagmar	50	D 12	Havre	10763
Antelope	25	C 12	Darby	1262	D 2	Helena	16082
Arlee	300	D 3	Dayton	150	F 5	Heron	150
Ashland	170	G 10	Deer Lodge	3350	F 3	Highwood	275
Augusta	500	B 5	Denton	1060	D 6	Hingham	150
Ballantine	61	E 4	Dillon	3460	F 4	Hobson	300
Basin	200	F 3	Divide	150	F 3	Hot Springs	1162
Bearcreek	152	G 8	Dodson	150	B 10	Huntley	150
Beaverhead	100	F 4	Dutton	1208	C 5	Ismay	50
Belfry	250	G 8	Eagle Bend	150	E 3	Jackson	57
Bellevue	50	F 1	Ekalaka	1000	G 12	Jefferson City	50
Belt	1017	D 6	Elliston	150	E 3	Jordan	1000
Bentonville	50	F 4	Emigrant	150	F 5	Joplin	350
Big Arm	50	D 2	Ennis	1000	F 4	Judith Gap	115
Big Fork	300	B 3	Essex	50	D 2		
Big Sandy	1152	C 4	Eureka	1000	A 3	**K**	
Big Timber	1698	F 6	Evaro	50	D 2	Kalispell	5127
Billings	31391	G 8	Fairfield	1000	D 4	Kevin	163
Birney	25	G 12	Fairview	1000	A 12	Kila	75
Black Eagle	1195	C 5	Flaxville	150	A 12	Kilroy	50
Blackfoot	50	D 2	Florence	150	D 3	Kinsey	50
Bloomfield	50	D 12	Forsyth	1777	G 8		
Boulder	1000	F 4	Fort Benton	1500	C 4	**L**	
Box Elder	75	B 6	Fortine	50	B 1	La Hood	50
Boyd	50	F 5	Fort Peck	1500	C 11	Lake Mcdonald	70
Bozeman	11015	F 5	Fromberg	350	G 8	Lakeside	300
Brady	150	B 5	Froid	350	A 6	Lambert	150
Brockton	300	B 11	Fromberg	642	G 1	Landusky	300
Bridger	664	G 8				Lavina	250
Broadus	1000	G 12	**G**			Lewistown	5813
Brockway	150	C 11	Gallatin Gateway	150	G 5	Libby	2402
Browning	1164	B 5	Gardiner	502	H 6	Lima	150
Bruno	50	F 1	Garland	50	F 8	Lincoln	1000
Buffalo	50	F 5	Geraldine	350	C 6	Livingston	6994
Bynum	85	C 4	Gildford	150	B 6	Logan	100
			Glasgow	3621	B 11	Lolo	300
C			Glendive	5978	A 12	Lombard	50
Canyon Creek	50	F 5	Gold Creek	50	E 3	Loma	150
Carter	50	D 6	Grass Range	300	D 8	Lonepine	300
Cascade	1000	C 5	Great Falls	39214	C 5	Lothair	50
Centerville	50	F 5	Greenough	50	D 3		
Chester	1000	B 6	Gregory	50	F 5	**M**	
Chinook	3000	B 8	Grey Cliff	50	G 6	Malta	2000
Choteau	1000	C 4	Gros Ventre	50	E 5	Manhattan	300
Circle	1000	A 10	Hall	50	D 4	Marion	50
Clancy	50	F 4	Hamilton	3000	D 3	Martinsdale	50
Clinton	50	E 3	Hardin	1000	G 8	Marysville	150
Colstrip	700	G 8	Harlem	1000	B 10	Medicine Lake	250
Columbia Falls	2237	B 3	Harlowton	1000	F 7	Melstone	100
Columbus	1295	G 5	Hathaway	50	G 8	Melville	50
Conner	50	F 5	Hays	1000	B 6	Miles City	6000
Coram	1865	B 3	Helena	16082	E 4	Missoula	27090
Cardwell	50	F 4	Hingham	150	B 6	Moccasin	300
Corvallis	500	D 3	Hobson	300	D 6	Monarch	50
Custer	1000	G 8	Hot Springs	1162	D 2	Monida	50
Cut Bank	5127	B 4	Huntley	150	G 8	Moore	150
			Hysham	610	E 7	Musselshell	50
D							
Dagmar	50	A 12	**I-J**			**N**	
Darby	1000	D 2	Ismay	50	E 12	Nashua	681
Dayton	50	F 5	Jackson	57	G 3	Neihart	75
Deer Lodge	3350	F 3	Jefferson City	50	F 5	Nevada	50
Denton	1060	D 6	Jordan	1000	C 12	Noxon	150
Dillon	3460	F 4	Joplin	350	B 6	Nye	50
Divide	150	F 3	Judith Gap	115	D 7		
Dodson	150	B 10				**O**	
Drummond	1000	E 3	**K**			Olney	50
Dutton	1208	C 5	Kalispell	10247	B 3	Opheim	300
			Kevin	163	B 5	Orchard Homes	1000
E			Kila	75	B 3	Outlook	150
East Glacier Park	475	B 5	Kilroy	50	B 6	Ovando	150
East Helena	1218	E 5	Kinsey	50	G 11	Oxford	50
Eden	50	D 5					
Edgar	25	G 8	**L**			**P-Q**	
Ekalaka	1000	G 12	La Hood	50	G 5	Pablo	1000
Elliston	150	E 3	Lake Mcdonald	70	B 3	Paradise	300
Emigrant	150	F 5	Lakeside	300	B 3	Park City	1000
Ennis	1000	F 4	Lambert	150	B 11	Pattee Canyon	50
Essex	50	D 3	Landusky	300	C 6	Pendroy	150
Eureka	1000	A 3	Lavina	250	D 7	Philipsburg	1000
Evaro	50	D 2	Lewistown	5813	D 6	Pinesdale	1000
			Libby	2402	B 1	Plains	1000
F			Lima	150	F 4	Plentywood	1000
Fairfield	1000	D 4	Lincoln	1000	D 3	Polaris	50
Fairview	1000	A 12	Livingston	6994	F 5	Polson	1000
Flaxville	150	A 12	Logan	100	D 5	Pony	100
Florence	150	D 3	Lolo	300	D 2	Port Harrison	50
Forsyth	1777	G 8	Lombard	50	G 5	Powderville	12
Fort Benton	1500	C 4	Loma	150	B 5	Power	200
Fortine	50	B 1	Lonepine	300	D 2	Pray	0
Fort Peck	1500	C 11	Lothair	50	B 6	Proctor	50
Fort Benton	1500	C 4				Pryor	200
Fromberg	642	G 1				Quarternie	0

R			**S**			**T**	
Rapelje	200	F 7	Saco	329	B 9	Terry	1000
Ravalli	1000	D 2	Saint Ignatius	761	D 2	Thompson Falls	1000
Red Lodge	2000	F 8	Saint Regis	350	D 1	Three Forks	1000
Redstone	50	A 12	Saint Xavier	75	G 8	Toston	100
Reed Point	100	F 7	Salmon	50	F 3	Townsend	1000
Reedpoint	158	F 7	Sandcreek	600	G 9	Trego	50
Rexford	75	A 2	Sanders	50	G 9	Trout Creek	50
Rhoades	15	G 12	Santa Rita	210	A 4	Troy	1000
Richey	200	A 12	Savage	242	A 12	Turner	227
Ringling	50	F 5	Savery	50	B 10	Twin Bridges	491
Rivulet	50	F 5	Scobey	1628	A 5	Twodot	175
Roberts	300	G 8	Seeley Lake	10	D 3		
Rock Creek	50	G 1	Severance	193	G 1	**U-V**	
Rockvale	50	G 8	Shelby	3054	B 5	Ulm	75
Roe	50	F 5	Sheridan	1100	F 4	Ursa	25
Roberts	300	G 8	Sheridan	572	G 4	Utica	50
Rock Creek	50	G 1	Shawmut	193	G 1	Vaner	10
Rockvale	50	G 8	Sidney	3961	A 12	Valier	1000
Roe	50	F 5	Silver Gate	75	H 6	Vandalia	17
Roberts	300	G 8	Silver Star	50	F 5	Van Norman	0
Rock Creek	50	G 1	Simms	14	A 5	Vaughn	150
Rockvale	50	G 8	Smith River	50	F 5	Victor	500
Roe	50	F 5	Snowden	50	F 5	Virginia City	50
Roberts	300	G 8	Somers	529	B 2	Vista	15
Rock Creek	50	G 1	Southside	1000	G 5	Volborg	0
Rockvale	50	G 8	Springdale	85	F 5		
Roe	50	F 5	Square Butte	85	C 6		
Roberts	300	G 8	Stanford	562	D 6		
Rock Creek	50	G 1	Stark	10	F 5		
Rockvale	50	G 8	Stevensville	772	D 2		
Roe	50	F 5	Stockett	300	F 5		
Roberts	300	G 8	Stowe	10	F 5		
Rock Creek	50	G 1	Sula	75	D 3		
Rockvale	50	G 8	Sumatra	150	C 9		
Roe	50	F 5	Superior	841	D 1		
Roberts	300	G 8	Sun Prairie	0	C 5		
Rock Creek	50	G 1	Sunburst	300	B 6		
Rockvale	50	G 8	Swan Lake	0	D 3		
Roe	50	F 5	Sweetgrass	196	A 4		
Roberts	300	G 8					
Rock Creek	50	G 1					
Rockvale	50	G 8					
Roe	50	F 5		

TRAFFIC REGULATIONS AND SAFETY RULES

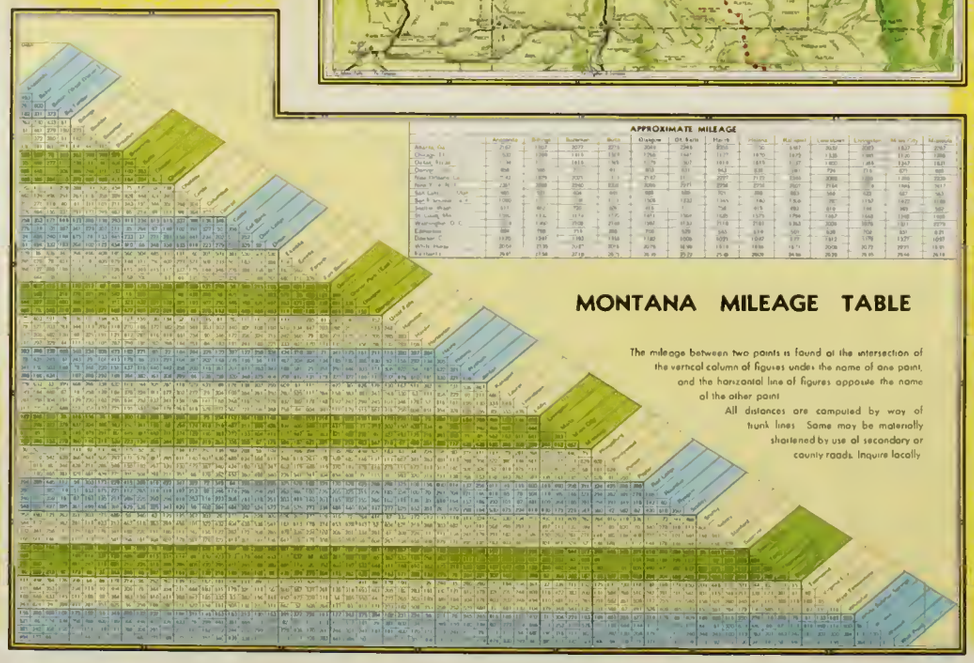
1. Montana speed limits: reasonable and prudent to existing conditions in the day time, 55 miles per hour during the hours when lights are required, except where zoned and posted for lower speeds. No truck shall be operated at a speed greater than 45 miles per hour.
2. Vehicles entering main highways from side road or drive must come to complete stop before entering highway and yield right-of-way to vehicles traveling main highway.
3. Vehicles must drive to right of center line at all times except when passing another car. Never pass on hills or curves. Be sure you can see far enough ahead to make a safe passing before you try to do so.
4. Proper signal must be given when passing another vehicle, changing direction, stopping or slowing down on the highway. Blow horn to warn the car ahead you are going to pass—Left turn, left hand and arm extended horizontally; Right turn, left hand and arm extended upward, Stop or Slow Down, left arm extended downward.
5. Observe and obey all warning signs, such as School Zone, Stop, Slow, Danger, Curve, etc. They are placed there at considerable expense for your protection.
6. Never drive at a speed greater than that at which you can stop in the clear road visible ahead. Slow down at night or when the road is wet or icy.
7. When meeting at night or passing from the rear, dim your lights. Don't be afraid to dim first (courtesy promotes safety).
8. Slow down when approaching any child, pedestrian, bicycle, livestock, parked car, or other obstruction on the highway. Be prepared for the unexpected.
9. Don't stop or park on the main traveled portion of the highway, especially on hills or curves. Pull out on the shoulder. It's safer for you and other cars.
10. Report all accidents resulting in death, personal injury or property damage of an apparent extent of $25.00 or more to the Highway Patrol.
11. Be careful. An alert, careful driver is the best insurance against all accidents.
12. PREVENT FOREST FIRES—USE YOUR ASH TRAY.

OLD FAITHFUL The world's most famous geyser is a top attraction in the largest and oldest of all national parks—Yellowstone. Three entrances to Yellowstone are by way of Montana at Cooke City, Gardiner and West Yellowstone. Within Yellowstone's forested plateau of 3472 square miles are 10,000 geysers and thermal leaks, paint pots, fossil forests, huge Yellowstone lake, colorful grand canyon of the Yellowstone, and one of the largest game sanctuaries in the country abounding in bear, deer, elk, moose and other wild animals.

THE HIGH ROAD Most spectacular entrance on east of Yellowstone Park is the Red Lodge-Cooke City highway that follows one of the oldest Indian trails in the state. The Red Men called it "the path above the eagles" because it winds in three gigantic switchbacks up and over the Beartooth plateau at an elevation of 10,943 feet. From this top of the world Highway may be seen the highest peaks of Montana, eternally snow-capped lakes are alongside and the road runs through a carpet of alpine flowers such as dryad, fleawood, Rocky Mountain lavoil, columbine, daisies and asters.

WILDERNESS AREAS There are 2,000,000 acres of Montana set aside as wilderness areas where roads and human habitations are prohibited. Rugged mountains, clear streams and lakes make for excellent hunting, fishing and camping in the back country.

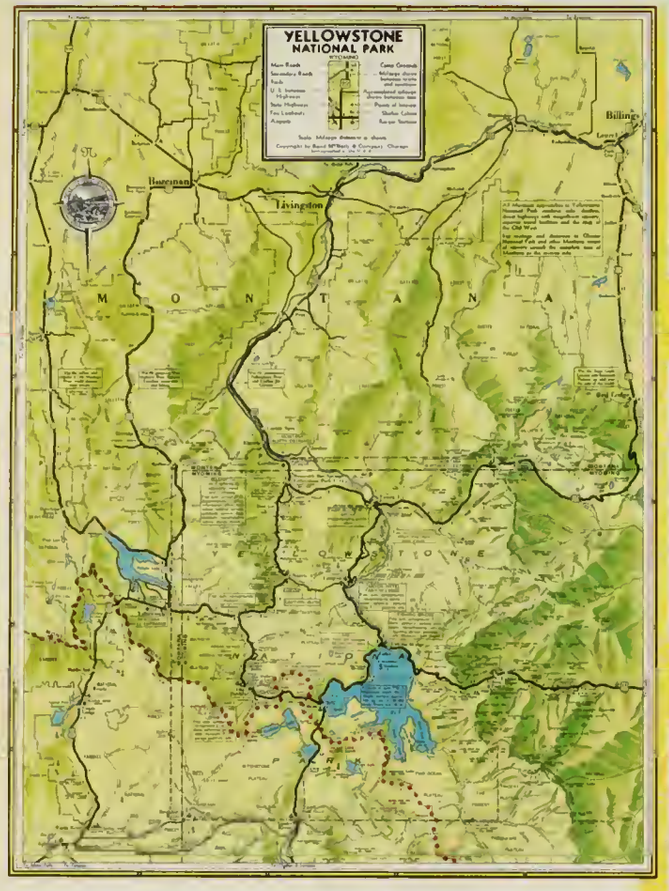
OLD WEST REVIVED In Virginia City, they've turned the clock back about 90 years—back to the roaring 1860's when this gold rush camp was Montana's second territorial capital. All around are evidences of the fierce struggle between Vigilantes and Road Agents—Boot Hill cemetery, Hangmans House. Among the old buildings restored are Wells, Fargo Express Station, Bale of Hay saloon, and Old Stone Barn Playhouse.



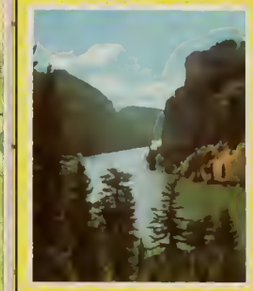
MONTANA MILEAGE TABLE

The mileage between two points is found at the intersection of the vertical column of figures under the name of one point, and the horizontal line of figures opposite the name at the other point.

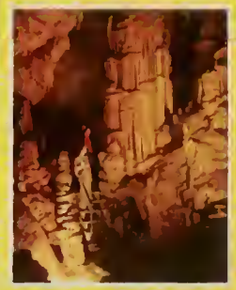
All distances are computed by way of trunk lines. Some may be materially shortened by use of secondary or county roads. Inquire locally.



ST MARY'S MISSION Christianity was introduced to the Flathead Indians with the establishment of St Mary's in 1841 by Father DeSmet. Here the first agricultural crops were planted in Montana, a sawmill was built and a flour mill was in operation at Fort Owen, just north of present-day Stevensville.

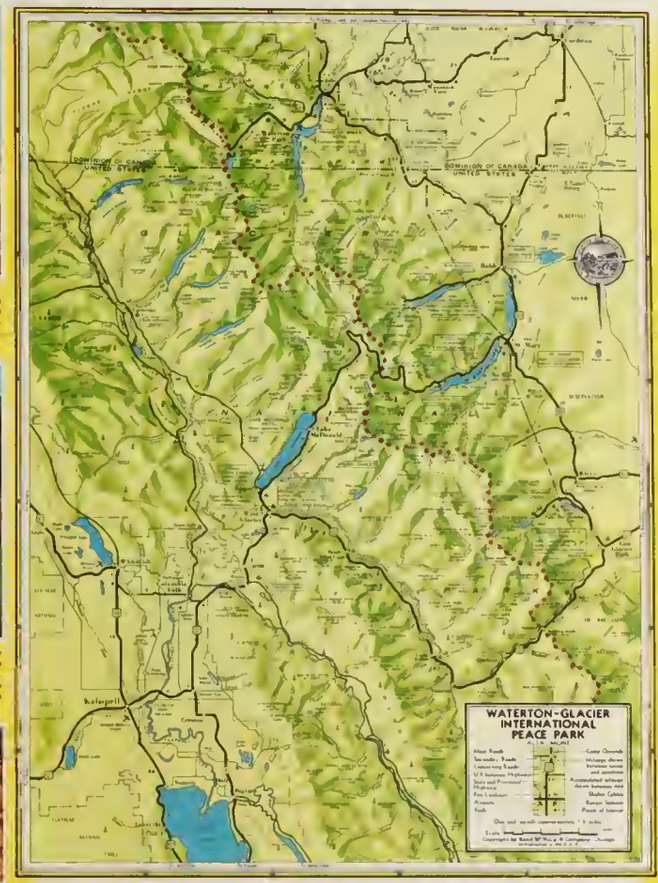


GATES OF THE MOUNTAINS So named by Lewis and Clark because a stone cliff seemed to move aside as the explorers came up the Missouri river. Many odd formations may be seen in the precipitous canyon from cruise boats that ply the river in the summer on weekday afternoons and Sundays.



LEWIS AND CLARK CAVERN A state park, this cavern is the largest on the Pacific Northwest. Beautifully lighted, it features two major rooms with multi-colored stalagmites, stalactites, clusterites, flowstone and other formations. Guided tours from May to November. The Cavern tour takes 1½ hours.

FORT PECK DAM Largest earth fill dam in the world, Fort Peck has tamed the mighty Mo by impounding the Missouri for a distance of 175 miles. Nearly four miles long, the dam measures 21,026 feet in length with a height of 250 feet, and has a concrete spillway a mile long. Fort Peck lake has a shore line of 1600 miles and boasts a great variety of fine fishing.



THE ALASKA HIGHWAY

The Alaska Highway, extending from Dawson Creek, B. C. to Fairbanks, Alaska, is 1,523 miles long and is kept open to traffic throughout the year. Permits to travel on the highway are not required, but arrangements for accommodations should be made in advance.

Restrictions on travel may be made on short notice at any time by highway maintenance authorities because of road conditions or damage to bridges.

Roadside facilities, overnight accommodations, and automobile repairs and services are limited along the highway. Among centers offering the most complete overnight accommodations are Dawson Creek, Fort St. John, Fort Nelson, Lower Post, Teslin, Whitehorse, Burwash Landing, and Fairbanks. Public camping grounds are maintained at several locations in the Yukon Territory for the convenience of travelers equipped for camping and carrying their own food and supplies.

Automobiles should be in first class mechanical condition, with spares carried, particularly tires, spare tires, tubes, etc., for their own needs. Assistance in matters of automotive repairs, food and shelter cannot be expected from Northwest Highway System maintenance camps.

The use of trailers and sedan trailers is permissible on the highway but heavy trailers in conjunction with passenger cars is not recommended, owing to difficulties which might be encountered on some of the longer grades.

U. S. citizens passing through Canada to Alaska do not require passports, and as a general rule will experience no difficulty or delay at the border. They should, however, present ample means of personal identification.

You Will See More in Montana

In a state twice as large as all of New England, you are bound to find a variety of things to see and do. Montana is a western state not too long removed from days of the open range buffaloes and Indians. Cowboys still ride herd, and although Indians have been relegated to seven reservations, some of them still hold their tribal sun, grass, owl and blue jay dances.

GLACIER NATIONAL PARK Established as the Waterton Glacier International Peace Park, this mountain country is one of America's great playgrounds. Astride the Continental divide it has over 60 living glaciers, 200 sparkling lakes, waterfalls by the score and wildlife of all kinds. Picture takers rave about Glacier's towering mountains and masses of alpine flowers. Going to the Sun highway from Lake McDonald to St. Mary's lake is one of the most scenic roads to be found anywhere.

CUSTER'S LAST STAND No Indian battle in the annals of American history was more dramatic or tragic. In the battle of the Little Big Horn on June 25, 1876, General George A. Custer and his entire command of some 200 U. S. troopers were wiped out by blood thirsty Indians. This historic ground, now dedicated as a national cemetery, may be easily reached by auto from U. S. Highway 87 near Crow Agency. Guides will point out monuments and trace course of fighting along battle ground ridge.

DUDE RANCHING There are more than 70 dude ranches located in the Land of Shining Mountains. Some are operating stock ranches, others are mountain ranches. That western brand of entertainment is downright stimulating. You can ride horseback, go hiking or fishing—all of which will give you an enormous appetite for that ranchland grub. Rodeos too will be part of the exciting dude ranch summer program. Montana Ranch Directory is available on request.

Marvelous Montana
Welcomes You

Governor John W. Bonner

Across wide Montana you will enjoy many miles of pleasure-filled driving. Our far-flung highway system of nearly 6,000 miles of hard-surfaced roads will take you to such scenic attractions as the Rocky Mountain wonderland of Glacier National Park, or to nature's spectacular show—Yellowstone National Park, only a day's drive apart.

Montana is a state of great natural resources. Here rise the mighty Missouri and Columbia rivers ...here are found vast strip farming operations, fertile valleys, huge mines and smelters, stately forests of pine, larch and fir—a gigantic storehouse which has given Montana its sobriquet—the Treasure State.

As a vacationland, we offer you two million acres of wilderness area for camping, fishing and hunting, national and state parks, Indian battlefields, rodeos, spas, over 70 dude ranches and a wide recreational program for every member of the family.

And above all—you will like Montanans. They are a friendly lot, anxious to prove that the hospitality of the Old West still lives.

For Montana and its people, may I welcome you to the LAND OF SHINING MOUNTAINS.

Cordially yours,

John W. Bonner

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Governor of Montana